Free Land Offered to Establish the National Dental Research Institute in Kerala

2588. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kerala Government have offered free land to establish the National Dental Research Institute; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. This offer was received in connection with an posing project before an EFC Reconnaisance Mission for identifying potentional Programmes in Primary Health and Family Planning during their visit to India in May-June, 1995. However, no such project was considered for inclusion in this programme.

Submission of Bill of Entry Form statement to RBI by Forex Dealers/Agents

2589. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is mandatory on the part of banks and other authorised forex dealers/agents to submit Bill of Entry Form statement to RBI periodically;

(b) if so, the details of such B.E.F. statements during the last two years against the remittances of which goods have not been received within a period of three months, six months and one year and the value thereof in terms of rupees; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken against the defaulting banks for not submitting the statements?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

सेन्टूर होटल में यात्री निवास सुविधा और वायुयान भोज आपूर्ति सेवा का विस्तार किया जाना

2590. **श्री गोपालसिंह जी० सोलंकी:** क्या नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सेन्टूर होटल, नई दिल्ली ने पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान यात्री निवास सुविधा और वायुयान भोज आपूर्ति सेवा का विस्तार करने और अगले तीन वर्षों में राजस्व में वृद्धि करने हेतु कोई व्यापक योजना तैयार की है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो वर्ष 1996-97, 1997-98 और 1998-99 के लिए राजस्व अर्जन, यात्री निवास सुविधा और वायुयान भोज आपूर्ति सेवा के आकलन क्या हैं;

(ग) वायुयान भोज आपूर्ति सेवा और यात्री निवास सुविधा की गुणवत्ता में सुधार लाने हेतु राजस्व के उचित उपयोग के लिए क्या कदम उठाये गये/उठाये जाने का विचार है; और

(घ) क्या सेन्टूर होटल की गुणवत्ता के संबंध में कुछ गंभीर शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है और उसके क्या कारण हैं?

नागर विमानन मंत्री तथा सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री (श्री सी० एम० इब्राहीम): (क) से (ग) जी नहीं। तथापि भारतीय होटल निगम लिमिटेड दिल्ली सेंटार होटल में अतिथियों को प्रदान किए जाने वाली कमरों के प्रगतिशील पुनर्नवीकरण/सुसज्जित करने की योजनाएं हैं। फ्लाइट किचन का नवीकरण भी विचाराधीन है।

(घ) कोई गंभीर शिकायत प्राप्त नहीं हुई है। तथापि, प्राप्त शिकायतों की दैनिक आधार पर छान-बीन की जाती है तथा भारतीय होटल निगम के प्रबंधक-वर्ग द्वारा उपयुक्त सुधारात्मक कार्रवाई की जाती है।

Streamlining the Domestic Air Service

2591. SHRI S.M. KRISHNA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) steps have been taken to streamline the domestic air services after the merger of Vayudoot by Indian Airlines;

(b) whether all the staff both ground and air borne have been accommodated in the Indian Airlines; and

(c) the details of the loss incurred, if any, by the merger?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) Indian Airlines is at present operating to 55 domestic stations. With the three Donier 228 aircraft, services to the following stations are being operated:—

(1) Calcutta (2) Aizwal (3) Guwahati (4) Lilabari (5) Dimapur

(b) Of the 1334 employees of Vayudoot, 311 were absorbed by Air India and the remaining 1023 were offered appointment by Indian Airlines out of which 4 employees have, not joined so far.

(c) Indian Airlines is likely to pay Vayudoot liabilities of about rupees 183 crores.

Guidelines for Nominee Directors on Corporate Boards by FIs

2592. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government owned Financial Institutions (FIs) have made some guidelines for its nominee directors on Corporate boards to safeguard the interests of Minority shareholders; deposit holders, promoters. creditors etc; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has reported that as per the extant institutional guidelines for the use of nominee directors, a nominee director is expected to take keen interest in the overall performance of the company concerned and policy adopted by its management without interference in the day-to-day working of the company. While he is expected to safeguard the interest of institution nominating him it is not the intention that he should act merely as a watch dog on behalf of the institution. His responsibility and obligation would be that of any other Director of the company and he is expected to work in the interest of the company, institutions and shareholders. No specific guidelines have, however, been issued for safeguarding the interests of minority shareholders, deposit holders, promoters, creditors etc.

Violation of Norms by Banks

2593. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the preliminary investigations by the police in the shoe scam have revealed that the banks are not following the laid down norms in the matter of grant of loans to various cobblers societies in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) the action taken against the guilty banks officials;

(d) whether similar disrespect to laid down norms were shown by the officials of the Vysya Bank Ltd. where cheque books were issued on xeroxed copies of requisition slips, on fake requisition slips and cheques were cleared/passed on forged signatures and in excess of the amount they were authorised to pass; and

(e) if so, what action has been taken against those officials, with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that a communication has been received from Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mumbai stating that an offence under IPC has been registered against some leading shoe companies and various leather cooperative societies to investigate misutilisation of finance meant for weaker sections of society such as artisans/cobblers' cooperative societies.